

REMARKS

Applicants thank Ex. Ferris for the courtesy of a telephonic interview granted to Applicants' representative, James M. Heintz, on July 7, 2006. During the interview, amendments directed toward using storing the relative risk in a memory and using the calculated relative risk for assessing the risk of a terrorist attack in order to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101 were discussed. The incorporation of the limitations of claims 42 and 43 directed toward approach vectors into claim 13 in order to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 were also discussed. Applicants representative believes that agreement was reached that incorporation of the amendments discussed above into claim 13 would result in allowance of that claim.

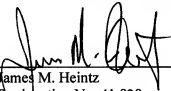
Claim 43 has been canceled, and its limitations along with certain limitations of claim 42 have been incorporated into claim 13. New claims 46-58 have been added. No new matter has been added. Support for new claims 46-47 and 55-56 can be found at page 54, line 17 – page 55, line 16. Support for the remaining new claims can be found in the originally filed claims.

Claims 13, 14, 44, and 45 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over Biswas and the IFPG. This rejection is respectfully traversed. As discussed above, applicants believe that the determination of a plurality of approach vectors is neither taught nor suggested by either Biswas or IFPG. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections based on Biswas and IFPG is respectfully requested.

In light of the above, Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and therefore request favorable consideration. If any issues remain which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants counsel, James M. Heintz at 202.861.4167.

Respectfully submitted,

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